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Mr. Gene K. Fong Division Administrator Federal Highway Administration 650 Capital Mall Suite 4-100 Sacramento, CA 95814 Mr. Leslie T. Rogers Regional Administrator Federal Transit Administration 201 Mission Street, Suite 2210 San Francisco, CA 94105

Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following amendments of the San Joaquin Council of Governments' (SJCOG) 2004/05-2006/07 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

No. Description

12

11 Local and Transit Elements

• Adds, modifies, or deletes projects in San Joaquin County. The projects included in Amendment are #11 are funded from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5307 Program.

Local Element

• Adds Bridge project number 38C0032 funded from the Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation (HBRR) Program. See enclosure.

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration approve these FTIP Amendments No. 11 and 12 for inclusion into California's 2004/05-2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP in fiscal years not within the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are shown for information only.

The updated programming has been found by SJCOG to conform to applicable air quality regulations. Therefore, this FTIP amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan.

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The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. These projects are included and submitted by SJCOG through the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS). Caltrans concerns, if any, are reflected in the "Caltrans comment" section of the FTIP Project Data Entry screen in CTIPS project by project.

In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. SJCOG prepared this FTIP amendment under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies, other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde of my staff, at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,

ROSS A. CHITTENDEN

Chief

Division of Transportation Programming

Enclosures

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